

Exploring Material Similarity using Graph-Based Crystal Structure Analysis and Machine Learning

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Objective

- Investigate the types of crystal structures already discovered and how they are distributed
- Represent crystal structures as graphs in order to create comparisons and place them in clusters or communities



Background

What is a Crystal Structure?

- 3D arrangement of atoms, molecules, or ions in a crystalline solid
- Symmetric and repeating patterns





What is a Graph?

- Mathematical structure
- Nodes and edges



Space Groups

Describes arrangement of atoms in unit cell with Hermann-Mauguin (HM) symbols Bravais types

- P Primitive
- I Body Centered
- F Face Centered

Symmetry Operations

- Rotations
- Reflections
- Inversions
- Glide Plane/Screw Axis



Space Group: I 4 m m

Each space group is associated with a unique number (230 total)



$Crystal\ Structure \rightarrow Crystal\ Graph$

 Nearest_neighbor_edges - k-NN (k-nearest neighbor) edge list

• Radius_graph - edge list based on a specified cutoff radius after several conversions and calculations



The creators of the library to generate the crystal graph are Dr. Kamal Choudhary and Brian DeCost.



Graph Edit Distance (GED)

- Measure of similarity between two graphs
- Minimum cost to transform one graph into another through a sequence of edit operations
- Edit operations node/edge insertion, deletion, and substitution





GED Example Visualization Animation





GED Calculation Algorithm

Based on the A^{*} Search Algorithm¹

- 1. Priority queue to store nodes and edges
- 2. Apply each possible operation to create a new graph state and calculate the cost function f(p)
- 3. Remove node with smallest f(p) from priority queue

$$f(p) = g(p) + h(p)$$

g = cumulative cost Initial state \rightarrow current state

h = estimate cost Current state \rightarrow goal state



GED Calculation

graph_edit_distance(G1, G2, timeout=60)

- NetworkX Python Library
- Based on the A* Search Algorithm
- Calculates the GED between G1 and G2
- Returns the best GED calculation within a maximum number of seconds to execute





Hierarchical Clustering

- Groups similar objects into groups/clusters
- How it works:
- Edit Distance Treats each graph as a separate 0 cluster
 - Graph Repeatedly merges two clusters 0 that are closest
 - Iterates until all clusters merged 0 together

14 12 62 161 33 33 15 33 165 11 165 14

Hierarchical Clustering Dendrogram

Space Group Number 9



Community Detection

- Locates tightly connected nodes in a graph
- How it works:
 - Assigns different community to nodes
 - Considers each neighboring community for placing nodes
 - Node placed in neighbor community based on modularity



Hierarchical Clustering Results

Dendrogram



Space Group Number





CENTER FOR HIGH RESOLUTION NEUTRON SCATTERING

CIF File Name 🔳	Space Group 🔄	Cluster 📑
Cif Name 11	Space Group 14	1
Cif Name 279	Space Group 62	1
Cif Name 306	Space Group 14	1
Cif Name 369	Space Group 58	1
Cif Name 383	Space Group 176	1
Cif Name 392	Space Group 13	1
Cif Name 842	Space Group 58	1
Cif Name 904	Space Group 224	1
Cif Name 908	Space Group 224	1
Cif Name 923	Space Group 14	1
Cif Name 969	Space Group 157	1
Cif Name 981	Space Group 39	1
Cif Name 1021	Space Group 173	1
Cif Name 1049	Space Group 229	1
Cif Name 1050	Space Group 229	1
Cif Name 1051	Space Group 229	1
Cif Name 1083	Space Group 36	1
Cif Name 1091	Space Group 96	1
Cif Name 638	Space Group 7	2
Cif Name 651	Space Group 92	2
Cif Name 654	Space Group 2	2
Cif Name 800	Space Group 216	2
Cif Name 801	Space Group 216	2
Cif Name 812	Space Group 152	2
Cif Name 819	Space Group 61	2
Cif Name 376	Space Group 33	3
Cif Name 390	Space Group 62	3
Cif Name 856	Space Group 61	3
Cif Name 82	Space Group 68	4
Cif Name 212	Space Group 224	4
Cif Name 213	Space Group 224	4
Cif Name 1002	Space Group 14	5
Cif Name 1017	Space Group 9	5
Cif Name 1100	Space Group 14	5

Community	Nodes with CIF Name Labels
Community 1	10
Community 2	11
Community 3	20
Community 4	25
Community 5	26
Community 6	29
Community 7	32
Community 8	35
Community 9	941, 942, 948, 17, 966, 33, 41, 43, 98
Community 10	50
Community 11	52
Community 12	60
Community 13	65
Community 14	66
Community 15	76
Community 16	78
Community 17	79
Community 18	82
Community 19	84
Community 20	88
Community 21	91
Community 22	92
Community 23	93
Community 24	94
Community 25	95
Community 26	102
Community 27	104
Community 28	110
Community 29	129
Community 30	131
Community 31	140
Community 32	165
Community 33	167
Community 34	169
Community 35	170
Community 36	172
Community 37	176
Community 38	204
Community 39	205
Community 40	207
Community 41	209
Community 42	210
Community 43	211
Community 44	212



What's Next

- Closely investigate the clusters and communities
- How has this distribution has changed over time?
- Continue calculating the graph edit distance for a complete 200,000 x 200,000 distance matrix



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Any Questions?